

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### TRIBUTE TO McDERMOTT AND SON ROOFING

#### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the McDermott and Son Roofing Company of Atlantic, Iowa, which is celebrating 80 years in business. McDermott and Son Roofing is a four-generation, family-owned business that has been operating in southwest Iowa since 1935.

Ted McDermott, the first owner of the business could be described as the "classic entrepreneur." Mr. McDermott farmed, worked construction, and when he realized there was a need in the community, he founded the roofing company. Today, McDermott and Son Roofing Company is owned and operated by his great-grandson, Rob Clausen, and his wife, Sonya. The business is a Master Elite Contractor for Duro Last Roofing products, and they are the recipient of the highest quality award given by Duro Last Roofing. Over the past 80 years, the company has experienced many changes within the roofing industry and with roofing products used. McDermott and Son Roofing takes great pride in the customer services they provide to the Atlantic area and southwest Iowa. The business cherishes the many friends and customers they have served for the past 80 years.

I commend McDermott and Son Roofing and their staff for their 80 years of dedicated service to southwest Iowa. I urge my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating McDermott and Son Roofing for their many achievements in the roofing industry. I wish them and all of their employees nothing but success moving forward.

### CONGRATULATING YOUTH HOPE ON ITS 20TH ANNIVERSARY

#### HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mrs. BUSTOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate YouthHope on its 20th anniversary.

For two decades now, YouthHope has been a safe, educational, and fun environment for children and teens from the Illinois Quad-Cities. YouthHope is an excellent example of how a group of dedicated citizens can have an outsized impact on their community. As a mother, I appreciate how important it is to protect our children and provide them with positive role models, encouragement and avenues to success, the very elements that YouthHope has provided to our young people for the last twenty years.

The staff, volunteers and everyone else involved at YouthHope should be truly proud of

the impact that they have had on young people's lives in the Quad-Cities. I hope that others in our community and throughout the entire state of Illinois and country will look to YouthHope as a model for strengthening and giving back to the areas in which we live.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to again congratulate YouthHope on its 20th anniversary. I look forward to hearing more about YouthHope's good work over the next twenty years and beyond.

### TRIBUTE TO DAVID HOLDEN

#### HON. TIM WALBERG

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. WALBERG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in solemn memory of my friend David Holden who went to be with the Lord on June 8, 2015.

Dave was a great family man and role model in our community.

He was an active leader in the Saline Area Schools, serving as President and Vice President of the Board of Education. His three sons—Dylan, Derek, and Reed—all graduated from Saline High School.

Dave also volunteered his time as a basketball and baseball coach in the area for 16 years.

He truly understood the meaning of civic duty, as he reminded us through his example day in and day out.

The countless hours he spent to better our community, especially in the area of education, will not be forgotten.

The citizens of Saline and Washtenaw County are fortunate to have had a man of Dave's character and dedication as a leader in our community. He will be greatly missed.

On behalf of this Congress, I offer our deepest sympathies to his wife, Raye, his three sons, and his extended family and friends. Our heartfelt prayers are with them during this difficult time.

### TRIBUTE TO SOUTHWEST IOWA MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

#### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Southwest Iowa Mental Health Center of Atlantic, Iowa for 50 years of service to Southwest Iowa. This 50th anniversary is a testament of the great work that is performed every day by the staff at Southwest Iowa Mental Health Center.

The Southwest Iowa Mental Health Center partners with the Cass County Health System to meet the needs of children, adolescents and adults. The treatment team includes board-certified professionals in disciplines of

psychiatry, social work, psychology and psychiatric nursing. Their specialized areas of expertise include child and adolescent psychiatry, family therapy, psychological testing, psychotherapy and marital therapy. Inpatient and outpatient services include 24-hour emergency care, consultation, evaluation, education, targeted case management, school-based mental health services, employee assistance programs, and integrated health programs.

I commend the Southwest Iowa Mental Health Center and the staff for providing dedicated, committed and crucial mental health care to the Southwest Iowa area and the Cass County community. There is great work being done every day at the Southwest Iowa Mental Health Center. I urge my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating the Southwest Iowa Mental Health Center for achieving 50 years of service. I wish them and all of the staff the best of luck moving forward.

### HONORING DR. SADIQ MOHYUDDIN, MRS. TALAT GUL MOHYUDDIN AND DR. YUSUF MOHYUDDIN

#### HON. RODNEY DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my constituents, Dr. Sadiq Mohyuddin, Mrs. Talat Gul Mohyuddin, and their son Dr. Yusuf Mohyuddin, who have established an endowment fund at OSF St. Anthony's Health Center in Southwestern Illinois to promote and enhance pulmonary medicine.

Forty-four years ago, Dr. Sadiq Mohyuddin began serving on the medical staff at St. Anthony's, consistently demonstrating a dedication to promoting pulmonary disease awareness and prevention.

In 2007, Dr. Sadiq Mohyuddin's son, Dr. Yusuf Mohyuddin, joined the St. Anthony's Physician Group, further demonstrating this family's dedication to the well-being of their community.

This dedication has been evident for years. In 1989, Dr. Mohyuddin served as chairman for an oriental garden project that was donated to the city of Alton and, to this day, serves as a reminder of the family's commitment to their community.

I am proud to recognize the Mohyuddin family's most recent endeavor of establishing an endowment fund to promote and enhance pulmonary medicine. The endowment will not just increase awareness and prevention of pulmonary diseases, but will also support technological advances in both Illinois and Missouri.

As more than 20 percent of all cancer cases at St. Anthony's are lung and bronchus cases, this new endowment will benefit and make a significant impact on the region's healthcare system.

I am proud to honor them for their exemplary efforts to save lives and improve the

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healthcare services throughout the southwestern Illinois and Missouri.

# INTRODUCTION OF RISK-BASED CAPITAL STUDY ACT OF 2015

**HON. STEPHEN LEE FINCHER**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. FINCHER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to discuss my bill, the Risk-Based Capital Study Act of 2015. My legislation requires the NCUA to perform a study of appropriate capital requirements for credit unions to ensure that these institutions and their members are not harmed by overregulation that suggests a solution in search of a problem.

On January 15, 2015, the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA) Board, in a 2–1 vote, issued a revised risk-based capital proposed rule for credit unions. While the revised proposal addresses some concerns expressed by Congress and by credit unions regarding the initial proposal, it still has raised a lot of concern in the credit union community—as evidenced by the revised proposal receiving over 2,150 comments during the comment period. A thorough study of the proposal before it moves forward is necessary to ensure credit unions and the communities they serve are not unduly burdened.

The bill would require the NCUA to provide to Congress an analysis on their legal authority with respect to certain aspects of the proposal, rationale behind the risk-weights assigned to various asset classes, and a close look at how the proposal would impact lending to credit union members before moving forward with their proposed rule. Given the critical role credit unions play in lending to our local communities, it's absolutely imperative that this proposal is reviewed closely before a judgement is made relative to moving forward.

# TRIBUTE TO FLOYD AND BETTY FOREMAN

**HON. DAVID YOUNG**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Floyd and Betty Foreman of Council Bluffs, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. Floyd and Betty were married on June 12, 1955. They were married at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Council Bluffs, where they continue to be active members.

Floyd and Betty's lifelong commitment to each other and to their children, Kathryn, Cindy, and Steve, and their grandchildren truly embodies our Iowa values. I salute this devoted couple on their 60th year together and I wish them many more. I know my colleagues in the House will join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion. I wish them and their family all the best moving forward.

# INTRODUCTION OF THE SUPERFUND REINVESTMENT ACT

**HON. EARL BLUMENAUER**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Speaker, today, joined by 16 original cosponsors, I am pleased to introduce legislation to reauthorize the Superfund taxes on polluting industries. The Superfund Reinvestment Act will provide much needed funding to clean up toxic waste sites throughout the United States and relieve the financial burden currently shouldered by the American taxpayers who currently pay for this cleanup.

Across the country there are more than 1,100 severely polluted Superfund sites. Approximately 49 million Americans live within three miles of a Superfund site. These contaminated sites threaten humans with exposure to toxins such as arsenic, benzene, PCBs, mercury and a wide range of solvents, resulting in health problems such as infertility, low birth weight, birth defects, leukemia and respiratory difficulties. This contamination also threatens the economic and social vitality of the communities that play host to these dirty sites.

The Superfund program was originally created in 1980 to cleanup these contaminated sites and free residents of the health risks and fears that come from living close to toxic waste. In most cases, the EPA works with responsible parties to compel them to pay for cleanup. At approximately 30 percent of Superfund sites, however, those responsible for the pollution cannot be found or do not have the ability to pay, so the federal government pays for the cleanup. Historically, the Superfund Trust Fund, financed by taxes on petroleum products, chemicals and corporate income, was used for this purpose. Because Congress has not reauthorized the Superfund taxes since 1995, the Trust Fund has been depleted and the funding for the cleanup of orphan sites has shifted primarily to general funds.

The Superfund Reinvestment Act restores the "polluter pays" taxes and updates these taxes for inflation, returning fairness to the process and once again making those responsible for pollution pay for the cleanup. The bill includes excise taxes of \$.163 per barrel on crude oil or refined oil products and taxes ranging from \$.51 to \$11.35 per ton on certain chemicals. The bill reinstates a corporate environmental income tax of .12% on a corporation's modified alternative minimum taxable income that exceeds \$3.735 million. This legislation expands the definition of oil to include unconventional crude oil sources, such as tar sands and oil shale. This legislation also includes language to guarantee that money from the Trust Fund is only spent on Superfund cleanups.

I urge my colleagues to join me in working to strengthen the Superfund program by ensuring that polluters continue to pay. Restoring the Superfund taxes will go a long way towards making certain that funds are available to cleanup America's most toxic waste sites and to help keep our communities and our families safe, healthy and economically secure.

# DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016

SPEECH OF

**HON. TED LIEU**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 10, 2015*

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2685) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes:

Mr. TED LIEU of California. Mr. Chair, I rise today to express my support for the Space-Based Infrared Systems (SBIRS) Wide Field of View (WFOV) effort.

Unfortunately, the House's Defense Appropriations bill for FY16 would completely eliminate SBIRS WFOV funding due to concerns that the initiative was being used to develop new technology rather than making evolutionary upgrades to existing programs.

I believe that these concerns are misplaced, and I am concerned that eliminating funding will derail this valuable effort at a critical juncture. It is my understanding that SBIRS WFOV does in fact support evolutionary development of the Program of Record (POR). Data gathered from WFOV efforts will support risk mitigation efforts to the POR and will facilitate cost savings by maturing technologies before implementing them on the POR.

It is worth noting that the Senate and House Armed Services Committees fully funded the WFOV effort in their respective versions of the FY16 National Defense Authorization Act, as did the Senate Defense Appropriations Subcommittee.

The SBIRS WFOV initiative is designed to lower future costs while evolving vital components of our national security space architecture. I urge my colleagues to support full funding for this initiative during conference negotiations.

# TRIBUTE TO LORAINNE GENTRY

**HON. DAVID YOUNG**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Lorraine Gentry on the celebration of her 100th birthday. Ms. Gentry celebrated her 100th birthday on April 22nd, 2015.

Our world has changed a great deal during the course of Ms. Gentry's life. Since her birth, we have revolutionized air travel and walked on the moon. We have invented the television, cellular phones, and the internet. We have fought in wars overseas, seen the rise and fall of Soviet communism, and witnessed the birth of new democracies. Ms. Gentry has lived through seventeen United States Presidents and twenty-four Governors of Iowa. In her lifetime, the population of the United States has more than tripled.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to represent Ms. Gentry in the United States Congress and it is my pleasure to wish her a very happy 100th birthday. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Ms. Gentry on

reaching this incredible milestone, and wishing her even more health and happiness in the years to come.

# 21ST CENTURY STEM FOR GIRLS AND UNDERREPRESENTED MINORITIES ACT OF 2015

**HON. JOYCE BEATTY**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mrs. BEATTY. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduced the 21st Century STEM for Girls and Underrepresented Minorities Act because I strongly believe that we need more girls and minorities represented in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) careers and professions.

Large segments of our population are underrepresented in those academic and professional areas, which means that our nation is leaving a significant amount of talent on the table—not engaging with or being exposed to tools for tomorrow.

Mr. Speaker, here is the problem.

According to a 2014 National Science Board annual report, African Americans, Hispanics, American Indians, and Alaska Natives accounted for only 10 percent of U.S. workers in science and engineering in 2010.

This is a far smaller proportion than their share of the general population, which was 26 percent.

Women are also underrepresented in the science and engineering workforce.

While women represent half of all college-educated workers in the United States, they made up just 28 percent of science and engineering workers in 2010.

These statistics make clear we are ignoring an untapped opportunity to expand STEM employment in the United States, employment which leads to good jobs, steady wages, and the ability to join the middle class.

The development of world-class talent in the STEM fields here at home is critical to America's global leadership.

Supporting women and minorities in STEM is not only an essential part of America's strategy to out-innovate, out-educate, and out-build the rest of the world, it is also important to students themselves.

STEM careers offer women and minorities the opportunity to engage in some of the most exciting fields of discovery and technological innovation.

A highly-skilled STEM educated workforce is essential to ensuring the United States' ability to succeed in the 21st century global economy.

By broadening the STEM pipeline to include those who have been historically underrepresented in STEM fields, we will create a larger, more diverse STEM talent pool of problem solvers and inventors.

We can increase the number of girls and underrepresented minorities in the STEM fields by getting these groups interested in STEM early and keeping them engaged.

Students from historically disadvantaged groups such as African Americans and Hispanics, both female and male, are less likely to have access to advanced courses in math and science in high school, which negatively affects their ability to enter and successfully complete STEM majors in college.

That is why I am introducing the 21st Century STEM for Girls and Underrepresented Minorities Act.

This bill would provide funding to local school districts to carry out activities designed to better engage girls and underrepresented minorities in STEM.

This way we can be sure to tap into these vast talent pools of students, while they are young.

Allowable activities under the legislation include improving professional development for teachers and other school personnel, strengthening outreach to parents, providing mentoring and tutoring programs, improving access to afterschool and summer programs that provide additional enrichment opportunities in STEM, and providing academic advice and assistance in high school course selection that encourages girls and underrepresented minorities to take advanced STEM classes.

Diversity is key for the United States to continue to prosper and compete: We must do more to recruit women and underrepresented minorities into the science, technology, engineering and math fields.

Diversity drives innovation, and its absence imperils our creativity and our productivity.

By training our nation's underserved talent in STEM fields, we will ensure that we have the intellectual capital essential to enhance our position as the world's strongest economy, passing American greatness to the next generation.

I encourage my colleagues to join me in this effort my co-sponsoring.

## A TRIBUTE TO DR. GARY HOLLANDER

**HON. GWEN MOORE**

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Ms. MOORE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Gary Hollander who has served as a mentor, teacher, union leader, college instructor, consultant, and academic administrator. Gary Hollander is the first and only President of Diverse & Resilient, Inc. He founded this nonprofit organization to become a voice for the healthy development of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered (LGBT) people in Wisconsin during his 20 years with the agency. He officially steps down as President and CEO of Diverse & Resilient, Inc. in July, 2015.

The agency's name serves to remind us that LGBT people are everywhere, engage in interesting and meaningful lives, and contribute to the welfare of each other and the broader community. Diverse & Resilient serves over 5,000 LGBT people every year. The agency has built the capacity of LGBT groups in Wisconsin and provided direct-service work to address the health disparities experienced by LGBT people in Wisconsin. The agency has focused on six priority areas: Acceptance, Cultivating Leaders, Mental Health, Sexual Health, Partner & Community Violence, and Substance Use.

Gary Hollander is a life-long resident of Wisconsin. He earned a doctorate in educational psychology from the University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee where he earned both graduate and undergraduate honors. Gary has both

taught and served as a school psychologist in Milwaukee Public Schools. He worked at Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin and was also a national consultant for Planned Parenthood Federation of America. Gary has worked in health care heading up educational and research programs, starting and managing an HIV clinic, and held clinical positions in family medicine, psychiatry, and psychology. He is also a very active volunteer serving on boards of directors of agencies and other leadership roles.

Hollander is an outspoken proponent for LGBT people across Wisconsin. He has used his platform to build strong relationships with other community agencies in order to educate people on the impact of HIV/AIDS in our community and to look at LGBT issues as part of a broader public health agenda. Under his leadership, the agency has increased its visibility and expanded the number of age groups it attracts and serves.

Although he will no longer be at the helm of Diverse & Resilient, Hollander will continue to advocate and empower people who remain marginalized based on their race, gender or sexual orientation. He also will continue to honor his late husband of 32 years, Paul Mandracchia, an artist and dancer who died December 24, 2014 after a long battle with multiple sclerosis.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize Dr. Gary Hollander. He has left a legacy of advocacy and compassion. He is a true trailblazer who has labored to increase acceptance and tolerance for not just gay people but for all of us. The citizens of the Fourth Congressional District, the State of Wisconsin and the nation have benefited tremendously from his dedicated service. I am honored for these reasons to pay tribute to Dr. Gary Hollander.

## TRIBUTE TO REBEKAH TOPHAM

**HON. DAVID YOUNG**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and congratulate Rebekah Topham of Griswold, Iowa, for her extraordinary accomplishment as one of Iowa's most decorated track athletes. In May, Rebekah ended her brilliant high school track career at Griswold High School, winning her 11th state championship gold medal.

Rebekah's love for running began at a young age. As a freshman, Rebekah rocketed onto the scene by winning three state titles along with a runner-up medal. But that was only a glimpse of what was to come. Rebekah won eight more gold medals in the next three years, rounding out one of the best track seasons in Iowa high school history. Rebekah's success on the track demonstrates the rewards of hard work, dedication, and perseverance.

It is with great honor that I recognize Rebekah for her outstanding achievements. I am proud to represent her, and her family in the United States Congress. I know that my colleagues will join me in congratulating Rebekah and wishing her nothing but the best as she continues working towards her dreams as a collegiate track athlete.

RECOGNIZING THE APPOINTMENT  
OF STUDENTS FROM FLORIDA'S  
NINTH CONGRESSIONAL DIS-  
TRICT TO THE U.S. SERVICE  
ACADEMIES

**HON. ALAN GRAYSON**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. GRAYSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the students of Florida's Ninth Congressional District who received an appointment to one of the United States Service Academies for 2015. One of my favorite duties as a Member of Congress is to nominate the best and brightest young men and women of my district to our nation's Service Academies.

This year, my district received a total of 13 offers of appointment, the highest number my office has ever received. Additionally, one student received an appointment to the Naval Academy Preparatory School. It is my honor to publicly recognize these students for their accomplishments and service to our country.

The following students were appointed to the U.S. Military Academy: Jeremy Beesley of St. Cloud, FL; Carla Figueroa of Kissimmee, FL; Lily McDonough of Celebration, FL; John Roche of Orlando, FL; and Elizabeth Rodriguez of St. Cloud, FL. Ms. Rodriguez also received an offer of appointment to the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy.

The following students were appointed to the U.S. Air Force Academy: Ashley Gooden of St. Cloud, FL; Kevin Mendez of Kissimmee, FL; and Joshua Rice of Orlando, FL.

The following students were appointed to the U.S. Naval Academy: Christina Potts of Orlando, FL; Joshua Volpert of Orlando, FL; Andrew Abdelnour of Orlando, FL; and Mason Hooten of Orlando, FL.

Joel Oviedo of Orlando, FL received an appointment to the Naval Academy Preparatory School.

I congratulate them all and wish them much success in their military careers.

THANKING VIRGIL JULIOT FOR  
HIS SERVICE IN WORLD WAR II

**HON. CHERI BUSTOS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mrs. BUSTOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank Reverend Virgil Juliot of Geneseo for his brave service in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II.

At 18 years old, Mr. Juliot enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps. He served the Army Air Corps for three years during World War II, from 1943 to 1946, as a navigator on a B-29 aircraft with the 313th Wing of the 9th Bomb Group in the Pacific Theater. He was stationed on the Island of Tinian, which is part of the Mariana Islands and home to the world's largest air field. Mr. Juliot completed his service with the rank of First Lieutenant.

In May, Mr. Juliot celebrated his 60th wedding anniversary with his wife, Marilyn. He has been blessed with five children, 12 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren and active in a wide range of church and community organizations across the country. Additionally,

Mr. Juliot has had the distinction of receiving a master Gardener Certificate.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize Mr. Juliot once again for his outstanding service to our nation during World War II and his dedicated service to communities across the country over the past decades. I wish him, and his family, nothing but the very best going forward.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL  
DEBT

**HON. MIKE COFFMAN**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on January 20, 2009, the day President Obama took office, the national debt was \$10,626,877,048,913.08.

Today, it is \$18,152,758,771,144.62. We've added \$7,525,881,722,231.54 to our debt in 6 years. This is over \$7.5 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

TRIBUTE TO RUSSELE SLEEP

**HON. DAVID YOUNG**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Mr. Russele Sleep, of Bedford, Iowa. Russele participated in the 52nd annual World Livestock Auctioneer Championship in Clifton, Texas, from June 10th to the 14th as part of the Livestock Marketing Association's annual convention.

Each year over 100 auctioneers attempt to qualify for the event and as one of the 31 semi-finalists, Russele will compete in a live interview and auctioneering contest. Russele is an accomplished auctioneer having competed in this competition multiple times. As one of the top auctioneers in the U.S., Russele carries on the rich tradition of competitive livestock marketing through hard-work and dedication to his craft.

I applaud and congratulate Russele for this achievement and for representing Iowa at this year's World Livestock Auctioneer Championship. I am proud to represent him in the U.S. Congress and I know that my colleagues join me in congratulating Russele and wishing him nothing but continued success in his career.

RECOGNIZING KATHLEEN MILLETT  
ON HER CAREER

**HON. KATHERINE M. CLARK**

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege today to congratulate Ms. Kathleen Millett on more than three decades of service to the great Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

For more than 37 years, "Katie" has played a vital role in overseeing and administering the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) nutrition programs in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

As the Executive Director for the Office of Nutrition, Health and Safety Programs at the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, Katie oversaw the policy and training development, fiscal and operational work of the office for all federal child nutrition programs including the National School Lunch Program, NSLP, USDA Foods, Child and Adult Care Food Program, CACFP, and the Summer Food Service Program, SFSP. Collectively, these programs annually totaled more than \$300 million in federal nutrition funding.

To ensure that Massachusetts held its spot as a leader in child nutrition programming and outreach, Katie served on many national and state committees. She was State Agency Representative for the national School Nutrition Association's Board of Directors and an advisor to the Massachusetts School Nutrition Association. She was also founding co-chair of the Massachusetts' Action for Healthy Kids State Team, Mass AFHK. Katie also served in numerous leadership positions with national child nutrition groups such as the National Food Service Management Institute, NFSMI, and the Food Research and Action Center, FRAC.

With Katie's help, Massachusetts has always been on the cutting edge of new funding opportunities and practices, including USDA pilot grant programming. Katie has funded and supported The Child Nutrition Outreach Program, CNOP, since 1994, which works to increase participation in NSLP and SFSP. Katie has also funded and supported the John C. Stalker Institute of Food and Nutrition at Framingham State University since May of 1988 when it was dedicated as a source of education for food service directors, managers, and workers. Since 1988 a variety of workshops have been provided for both educators and food service staff.

Under Katie's leadership, Massachusetts has received multiple Direct Certification Performance Awards from USDA for improving direct certification rates. Massachusetts now has almost 95% of their eligible children living in households receiving benefits under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, SNAP, directly certified for free school meals.

With Katie's help, Massachusetts school districts have also dramatically increased school breakfast participation, which is proven to positively impact students' academic success. For example, Katie spearheaded an initiative to increase statewide breakfast participation by 35% and was instrumental in the recent state regulation change, February 2015, allowing Breakfast in the Classroom to count towards instructional time.

Ahead of the USDA Smart Snacks regulations, Katie also helped lead Massachusetts' implementation of nutrition standards for all foods and drinks sold or provided during the school day.

As you can see from these accomplishments, Katie's tireless efforts have significantly advanced the quality of and access to healthy meals for infants, toddlers, adolescents and seniors across the Commonwealth.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I salute my constituent Katie Millett, on a job well done.

HONORING GENERAL RAYMOND T. ODIERNO

**HON. JOHN R. CARTER**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor General Raymond T. Odierno, the 38th Chief of Staff of the United States Army, for his extraordinary dedication to duty and service to our Nation. After 39 years of distinguished service, General Odierno will retire from active military duty in September 2015, leaving behind a legacy that will live on for generations to come.

As co-chairs of the House Army Caucus, Representative RUPPERSBERGER and I had the honor of working with General Odierno as he led our Army while the Nation fought two wars and deployed or maintained a presence in more than 150 locations around the world. All the while, General Odierno remained the consummate professional, exemplifying the qualities exhibited by all great, transformational leaders: a strong sense of duty, honor, courage, character, and commitment to this great country.

General Odierno was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Field Artillery upon graduation from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1976. He commanded units at every echelon, from platoon to theater. He deployed in support of Operations DESERT SHIELD and DESERT STORM, commanded the 4th Infantry Division during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, and served as the Commanding General of Multi-National Corps-Iraq and Multi-National Force-Iraq between 2006 and 2010.

During his tenure in Iraq, General Odierno was the architect of the troop surge that turned the tide of the war; he implemented the transition plan to an Iraqi-civilian run effort; and he oversaw the largest retrograde operation since the Vietnam War. His success in all of these endeavors led to his appointment as the 38th Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army in 2011. Since then, General Odierno's leadership and commitment to his Soldiers, the Army, and the Nation ensured that the U.S. Army remained the most highly trained and professional land force the world has ever known.

General Odierno is an American patriot of the highest caliber. He has dedicated his entire life to the security of our Nation, but most importantly, he is a man of character. His tireless commitment to Soldiers and their Families has never wavered. In his wake stands an impeccable organization, full of leaders capable of confronting the complex global challenges we face today.

With profound admiration and deep respect, we pay tribute to him for all he has done for our Nation. We thank General Odierno, his wife, Linda, and his three children, Tony, Katie, and Mike for their dedication and sacrifice. And we wish them all the fullest measure of peace and happiness in retirement.

TRIBUTE TO LINDEMAN TRACTOR

**HON. DAVID YOUNG**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate a great Iowa company, Lindeman Tractor. Lindeman Tractor celebrated 70 years of business in December 2014.

Bob Lindeman's father started selling machinery in Cumberland, Iowa with one employee and two children to help out. That business expanded to Atlantic Iowa and now employs 40 people. They sell a range of products from tractors, planters, and various other equipment. Fundamental to Lindeman Tractor's success has been their dedication to customer service and handling their customers' needs on a day-to-day basis.

I applaud and congratulate Lindeman Tractor for their 70 years in Iowa's Third Congressional District. I am proud to represent them in the United States Congress. I know that my colleagues will join me in congratulating Lindeman Tractor and wishing them and their employees nothing but success in the future.

HONORING FRANK FANELLI

**HON. NITA M. LOWEY**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Frank Fanelli, who is retiring after 43 years of outstanding service as a teacher, coach, and administrator in the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District, which I am proud to represent.

Mr. Fanelli was born and raised in Port Chester, New York, and first distinguished himself on the high school gridiron as the last district player to be named an All-American football player. He began to think of a teaching career in high school and started as the junior high school health teacher in the 1970s. After teaching for 23 years, Mr. Fanelli moved into administration, holding positions including Assistant Principal, Director of Grants, and currently Assistant Superintendent.

Mr. Fanelli has devoted his professional career in the Port Chester schools to his philosophy of educating the whole child. During his tenure, the Port Chester school district implemented Full Service Community Schools, two of which have received National Blue Ribbons, and developed the JFK Early Learning Center. Under his leadership, the district received grants totaling more than \$50 million that enhanced the educational opportunities for students. In more than four decades of service, his achievements have won many well-deserved awards including Westchester County Health Teacher of the Year, Port Chester Teacher of the Year, and most recently, special recognition from the Port Chester, Rye Brook, and Rye Town Council of Community Services. Mr. Fanelli's leadership and tireless efforts have truly ensured that Port Chester students are prepared to excel in the future.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Frank Fanelli for his 43 years of dedicated service to his community. He truly has improved the lives

of thousands of students and their families as well as inspired hundreds of educators, many whom he has selflessly mentored. I urge my colleagues to join me in celebrating his exemplary career and wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

ACKNOWLEDGING LUCILLE HARRIS

**HON. JEFF DENHAM**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge Lucille Harris, who will be honored by the Manteca Chamber of Commerce with their Lifetime Achievement Award. This award is given to prominent individuals who diligently enhance the lives of the residents, youth, and businesses in the community.

Lucille Harris was born in Manteca, California to John and Mary Mendosa. Following her graduation from Manteca High School in 1950, she furthered her education by attending Humphreys Business College.

In 1951, Lucille married the late William Robert Harris, and together they laid the foundation of a successful business enterprise. In 1955, Lucille and Bill purchased the Smith Welding Company, and five years later, the business evolved into Tuff Boy Sales Inc., also known as Tuff Boy Leasing and Equipment Sales. This year, the business will be celebrating its 60th anniversary. In addition to Tuff Boy Sales Inc., Lucille and Bill also own W/L Harris Ranches, where Lucille remains an active manager in both companies today.

Community involvement has always been an important part of the Harris family, which is why they are devoted to several different clubs and organizations. Believing that history is vital to the community, Lucille is the trustee of the Manteca Historical Society and a member of the Ripon Historical Society. She puts a high emphasis on reading and writing and has a significant role in both Manteca and Ripon "Friends of the Library" programs. Furthermore, Lucille is an active member of the Manteca, Lathrop, and Ripon, Chambers of Commerce.

Lucille has always believed education to be essential, and has committed herself to several youth programs. The Harris name is renowned for their gracious donations and extensive dedication to fund many educational endeavors. They have been major sponsors of the California State University, Stanislaus "Great Valley Writing Project", St. Anthony's School, Boys and Girls Club, RCAF Ripon Community Athletic Foundation, FFA, 4H programs, as well as supporting the Give Every Child a Chance program.

For many years, Lucille has been a strong supporter of two grass root organizations; Citizens for Judicial Integrity, supporting ADA Legislation Reform, and Neighbor's United, supporting sensible growth and agriculture protection. In addition, she has joined Californians against Lawsuit Abuse, the Civil Justice Association of California, and the National Federation of Independent Business.

Over her lifetime, Lucille has received many awards, one of the most recent being the Women's Connection—Lady of Influence Award in 2012, for leading the way in business, industry, and enterprise. In 2013, Bill

and Lucille were inducted into the Manteca Hall of Fame in the fields of business, community service, and at-large.

Together, Lucille and Bill raised three children, son Martin Harris and two daughters Marcia Perkins and Melissa King, who all reside locally. They are also proud grandparents to seven grandkids and five great-grandchildren. Unfortunately, on October 27, 2012, Lucille's beloved husband Bill passed away after 61 years of marriage.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in acknowledging Lucille Harris, an extraordinary woman whose contributions to her family, community and the economic vitality of Manteca have made her an ideal candidate to receive the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Manteca Chamber of Commerce.

#### TRIBUTE TO CHERYL PERDEW

### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Cheryl Perdeu for opening her new florist business, LaNae's Enchanted Florist and Gifts, in Bedford, Iowa.

Cheryl, her husband Daven, and their three daughters moved to Bedford from Tennessee. In Tennessee she had been the youngest business owner for a number of years, having opened her first florist business from her home when she was just 16. I recognize that our nation's small businesses are critical to our economy, and I support hardworking Iowans like Cheryl who have done so much to help their neighbours and communities by following their dreams.

Mr. Speaker, I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Cheryl on a job well done, and wishing her and her family continued success for years to come.

#### HONORING THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE OF MAJOR GENERAL ROBERT G. KENNY

### HON. LEONARD LANCE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. LANCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life and 37 year military career of Major General Robert G. Kenny of Bethlehem Township, New Jersey and his dedication to the Nation. Born in New Brunswick, New Jersey in 1956, and a graduate of Rutgers University and Seton Hall Law School, Major General Robert G. Kenny deserves our sincerest thanks as he retires as the Mobilization Assistant to The Judge Advocate General of the Air Force, Headquarters United States Air Force on July 1, 2015.

Major General Kenny's initial active duty assignment was with the 366th Tactical Fighter Wing, Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho from January 1982 to July 1984. He served as the Chief of Claims, Chief of Civil Law, Chief of Military Justice and the Area Defense Counsel. Major General Kenny separated from active duty and became a member of the Air

Force Reserve attached to Headquarters Air Force District of Washington, Bolling Air Force Base, Washington, DC, serving as an IMA from June 1987 to January 1992. Additionally, he became an adjunct member of the faculty of the Judge Advocate General School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama where he was an instructor for the Advanced Trial Advocacy Course.

Major General Kenny transferred to the Category A Program and became the Deputy Staff Judge Advocate of the 514th Air Mobility Wing, McGuire Air Force Base in January 1992. In June of 1998, he became the Staff Judge Advocate. He received the Reginald C. Harmon Award naming him the Outstanding Reserve Judge Advocate of the Air Force in 1998. He was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel on 27 July 1999. He deployed to Southwest Asia in support of Operation Southern Watch on four occasions from 1998 to 2001. He also deployed during September and October 2001 and served as the 60th Air Expeditionary Group Combat Support Squadron Commander at a classified location and Al Udeid AB during Operation Enduring Freedom. He was the Senior IMA to HQ 21AF/JA from 1 April 03 to 30 Sept 03; Senior IIMA to HQ 18AF/JA from 1 October 2003 to 6 January 2005; Senior IMA to HQ AETC/JA from 7 January 2005 to 31 January 2006, Senior IMA to AFLOA/CC from January 2006 to January 2007; Mobilization Assistant to AMC/JA from January 2007 to April 2008; and, Mobilization Assistant to the Deputy Judge Advocate General from April 2008 to October 2010. Most notably, General Kenny also Performed the Duties of the Judge Advocate General (PDOTJAG) from March 2014 until May 2014.

He has been awarded the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (3 OLC), Air Force Commendation Medal (3 OLC), Air Force Achievement Medal (1 OLC), Air Force Outstanding Unit Award (2 OLC), Air Force Organizational Excellence Award, Air Force Recognition Ribbon, National Defense Service Medal (1 BS), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Air Force Longevity Service (5 OLC), Armed Forces Reserve Medal (M Device/Silver X), Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon, and the Air Force Training Ribbon. He also was honored as the 1998 Reginald C. Harmon Outstanding Reserve Judge Advocate of the Year.

In his civilian capacity, Major General Kenny is a senior partner with the firm Hoagland, Longo, Moran, Dunst & Doukas in New Brunswick, New Jersey where he is a Chief Litigation Counsel.

Today I rise to share Major General Robert G. Kenny's tremendous accomplishments and dedicated public service with the House of Representatives. I extend my gratitude to his wife, Kathy, and his three daughters, LeAnne, Michelle and Jacqueline, and I sincerely thank the Major General for his lifetime of service and leadership.

#### H-E-B 110TH BIRTHDAY

### HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to wish H-E-B Grocery Stores a very happy 110th birthday.

H-E-B has been serving the great State of Texas for 110 and strives to give back to all Texans. They continue to support our community through quality food, incredible service and various philanthropic efforts throughout Texas. We are extremely proud of the accomplishments made by H-E-B and are proud of their deep Texas roots.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, happy birthday again to H-E-B, and we look forward to 110 more years.

#### TRIBUTE TO NANCY DRAKE

### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Nancy Drake of Bedford, Iowa, on her retirement from the Bedford School. Ms. Drake has been a dedicated public servant helping to educate the future of Iowa—its students.

Ms. Drake began her career in education in 1976. In 1995 she began her work at the Bedford School as an At-Risk teacher, helping to reach students in need. During her tenure at Bedford she has helped countless students as a K-6 At-Risk teacher, ELL, middle school Language Arts, 10th grade English, and HAS teacher.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to represent dedicated public servants like Ms. Drake from the great state of Iowa in the United States Congress. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Nancy Drake on reaching this important milestone, and wishing her continued success for years to come.

#### CONGRATULATING LONNIE R. STEPHENSON ON HIS POSITION AS THE NEW PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS

### HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mrs. BUSTOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Moline, Illinois' own Lonnie Stephenson on becoming the President of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, representing 750,000 of its members worldwide. The IBEW represents a variety of workers spanning the utilities, manufacturing, communications and infrastructure industries.

Mr. Stephenson has been an active member and dedicated leader within IBEW for many years. He joined IBEW Local 145 in Rock Island in 1976 and worked his way up to become Vice-President and then President of his

local organization. He was later appointed as an international regional representative, leading operations across Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, Wisconsin and Minnesota.

Mr. Stephenson has championed the IBEW's mission for decades, and his service and dedication have never wavered. As the new international President, I know he will continue to champion the causes important to electrical workers and working men and women across the globe.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize Mr. Stephenson for his longtime commitment to the IBEW and wish him the best of luck in his new role. He has been an exceptional leader, and I know he will continue serving electrical workers, and all working families, everywhere for years to come.

IN RECOGNITION OF DR. WILLIAM  
McCOY

**HON. BOBBY L. RUSH**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. RUSH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Dr. William McCoy on his 31 years of service as Chief Apostle and CEO of Brothers Keeper Community Outreach Church.

Dr. William McCoy, through his calling of spreading the word of God, has done great work for his community by way of his organization's involvement with kingdom building feats like jail ministry, and parole chaplaincy, which are just a couple of examples of his many deeds that shine as a beacon of hope for those in need.

Dr. McCoy began his pastoral career in 1986, serving first at God's House of Deliverance Holiness Church in 1989, and then he earned his Certificate of Ordination from the Pentecostal Apostolic Assemblies of Jesus Christ. In 1991, he graduated from the United Theological Seminary, and in 1993, Dr. McCoy received an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity from the Apostolic Baptist Seminary in Evansville, Indiana. In 1994, he was consecrated as the Presiding Prelate Bishop of IPAE and AIMBK by Bishop Lester P. Bell, and earned his Prison Fellowship Training Diploma. In 1995, Dr. McCoy earned his Doctorate of Philosophy in Pastoral Theology from the International College of Bible Theology.

The Brothers Keeper Community Outreach Church was created to call attention to the need for a message of deliverance from substance addictions, domestic abuse and other challenges plaguing the lives of some of God's children; the organization has done great work at conveying its belief in the importance of teaching deliverance through parole chaplaincy training, ministerial training and other outreach practices.

Dr. William McCoy has served his community outside of his work with the Brothers Keeper Community Outreach Church as well, some positions such as an Auxiliary Chaplain of the Cook County Sheriff Department since 1994; as a board member of the Cook County Jails Alternative Schools L.S.C., since 1997 and as the Superintendent Parole Chaplain of Cook County. In 2002 Dr. McCoy was elected to serve as President of the Illinois Community Chaplaincy Council, and in 2009, he became President of the South Suburban Action Con-

ference and became a member of the IPAE-NETWORK Cook County Sheriff's Department Re-Entry Initiative and the Advisory Board of Cook County Clergy United, Inc.

Dr. William McCoy in his many roles and his work with the Brothers Keeper Community Outreach Church has not only been inspirational, but vital to the life we live as both God's children and Americans.

I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Dr. William McCoy for his many years of dedicated service and wish him continued success and happiness in the future.

FOR ALL THE FATHERS

**HON. PETE SESSIONS**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of all the Fathers of The Armed Forces who have served, or who have family members who have served. Let us remember their sacrifice, and give thanks to them and their families on this Father's Day. I submit this poem which was penned in their honor, by Albert Carey Caswell.

For all the Fathers this Father's Day  
who go off to war for us we pray  
And for all the ones who aren't coming home,  
all because of what they gave  
That Last Full Measure,  
the greatest of all treasure's teaching us how  
men of honor behave  
Who take up our Nation's defense so very brave,  
who now lie all in such cold deep dark quiet graves.  
Whose sons and daughters will never see them again,  
all for the price of freedom they paid  
And for all the Fathers who went off to war,  
for The Greater Good who such heartache endure

This Father's Day,  
our Nation gives thanks to you and your families so all the more  
And for all the families now separated across the shores.

Whose children cannot be in your arms in yours.

Remember my children how much your Father you adores

And for all those Fathers who raised all of their fine daughters and sons.

The ones who meant the most,  
who'll no longer get to see the morning's sun.

And the chance to raise all of their own most precious daughters and sons.

And for all those Fathers who sit for hours by a hospital bed,  
with all of their sons and daughters in pieces who died and bled

Watching them in awe at what their courage has said

As your tears run down your cheeks never seeming to ebb

Inspired by watching them rebuild their lives coming out of such dread

And yes for all of our Fathers this Father's Day,  
upon bended knee for all of you we now so pray.

And remember to give thanks to all of them this day

For all of those most precious gifts for us the price of freedom they paid

And for all of their children in the coming years who stand on this day in tears.

Because their Daddy isn't coming home as they've realize their darkest fears

We pray our Lord give them the strength and courage,

in what your Father's life so meant here on earth to your souls so nourish

And to lead your life with the same kind of faith and courage,

that made your Fathers' hearts so flourish.

As we'll see your Fathers in all your faces.

And when we hear your voices to them you will so take us

And you will carry your Father's heart with you to all places.

To help you to somehow all to so face this  
And we pray you will grow up to be strong and tall.

Just like your Fathers one and all  
So one day too,

you can teach your children all about your Father's most heroic hue

All in such admiration, of what is brilliant.  
of what is true

And hush my children please don't you cry,  
because one day up in Heaven you will look into your Father's eyes

And you won't have to cry no more and ask why?

This Father's Day please,  
please remember all of those Fathers who answered our Nation's battle cry

America's greatest of all Fathers, who did not hesitate or ask why

This Father's Day, God Bless them all with tear in eye.

RECOGNIZING DR. CHIU L. TSANG  
FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICE TO  
SANTA MONICA COLLEGE

**HON. TED LIEU**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. TED LIEU of California. Mr. Speaker, today I rise with my colleague, Congresswoman JULIA BROWNLEY, to recognize Dr. Chiu L. Tsang, a progressive thinker, visionary leader, and passionate educator who has spent the majority of his career promoting excellence in education. For almost a decade, Dr. Tsang has demonstrated his insightful and exemplary leadership and dedication to Santa Monica College (SMC) as its Superintendent and President.

Throughout his nine years of service to the institution, Dr. Tsang was able to enhance SMC's reputation as a leading job trainer in the region by pursuing greater opportunities for students and anticipating the needs of the local workforce. During his tenure at SMC, Dr. Tsang pioneered an inter-disciplinary model to take advantage of thousands of job opportunities in the information, communication and technology industry for students. This model has now become the foundation for a Los Angeles-based community college, high school and industry consortium, "LA HI-TECH," which was recognized by President Obama as part of his TechHire Initiative.

Santa Monica College's student support culture also blossomed under the leadership of Dr. Tsang with the implementation of new student service programs such as the Veterans Resource Center and Guardian Scholars for foster youth. Furthermore, Dr. Tsang's leadership helped establish excellent and mutually-beneficial relationships with the City of Santa Monica, the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District and other local organizations.



Another admirable accomplishment Santa Monica College was able to obtain under Dr. Tsang's leadership included maintaining its place as the number one transfer institution to the University of California, transferring more Latino and African-American students to the UC system than any other community college.

In addition to his time as the SMC Superintendent and President, Dr. Tsang has had a remarkable and accomplished career. Dr. Tsang earned his B.A. Degree in Linguistics from UC Berkeley and went on to earn his doctorate in Linguistics from Stanford University. During his extensive years in a higher education career, Dr. Tsang served as President of San Jose City College and as dean at the City College of San Francisco. He also taught at Stanford University, De Anza in Cupertino and San Francisco State University. Being a recognized leader in the field of higher education, Dr. Tsang has been asked to speak at venues including the Royal Society of London and he has guest lectured at the UCLA Anderson School of Management and the USC Rossier School of Education.

Dr. Tsang's passion for higher education for all students is unquestionable. For decades, Dr. Tsang has been a trailblazer in his field. He has led a career focused on supporting higher education and the students who seek it. It is our sincere pleasure to recognize Dr. Tsang on his tenure as the Santa Monica College Superintendent and President and thank him for his unwavering service to the students, faculty, staff and community.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. LYNN A. WESTMORELAND

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. WESTMORELAND. Mr. Speaker, on June 11, 2015, the House of Representatives considered H.R. 1295, the Trade Preferences Extension Act of 2015. During the roll call vote, I mistakenly voted no on H.R. 1295. Therefore, I submit this statement to clarify my intention was to vote yes on H.R. 1295.

#### TRIBUTE TO KAY GOODRIDGE

#### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Kay Goodridge of Bedford, Iowa, on her retirement from the Bedford School. Ms. Goodridge has been a dedicated public servant helping to educate the future of Iowa—its students.

Ms. Goodridge has worked at the Bedford School for 15 years. During her tenure at Bedford she has worked diligently to support her community. She performed many different roles and worked with 26 different teachers and staff during her tenure.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to represent dedicated public servants like Kay Goodridge from the great state of Iowa in the United States Congress. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating her on reaching this important milestone, and wishing her continued success for years to come.

#### BAKERS CREEK TRAGEDY

#### HON. SCOTT PERRY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, I have sought recognition today to honor the forty American soldiers who tragically perished at Bakers Creek, Queensland, Australia, June 14, 1943, during World War II.

Their deaths came as a result of the crash of a B-17C Flying Fortress, which proved to be the worst aviation disaster of the Southwest Pacific war. More men died on that plane from my home state of Pennsylvania—six—than from any other State. The six men were: Pvt. James E. Finney, from Erie; T/Sgt. Alfred H. Frezza, from Altoona; Sgt. Donald B. Kyper, from Huntingdon; Pfc. Frank S. Penska, from Moscow; Sgt. Anthony Rudnick, from Philadelphia; and Cpl. Raymond H. Smith, from Oil City.

Only recently has Congress officially recognized the previously classified wartime accident. As a result, most of the crash victims' families were left in the dark about the specifics surrounding their loved ones' deaths in World War II.

Five years ago, many of my Congressional colleagues actively supported efforts to place a memorial monument in Arlington. Moreover, in June 2008, the Pennsylvania State Legislature passed a resolution designating June 14th as "Bakers Creek Memorial Day."

The monument, dedicated at Selfridge Gate entrance to Arlington National Cemetery on June 12, 2009 by the Secretary of the Army, honors the sole survivor and the 40 members of the Army Air Corps who lost their lives when a B-17C Flying Fortress crashed soon after take-off. The men were being returned to combat in the Papua New Guinea Campaign following 10-days of R&R at the American Red Cross Center located at the seaside City of Mackay on the northeast coast of Australia. The aircraft, a bomber converted to transport service, was operated by the 46th Troop Carrier Squadron of the 317th Troop Carrier Group which was a part of the U.S. Fifth Air Force.

I understand that today, COL Michael D. Henderson, Garrison Commander of Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, Honorable Kim C. Beazley, Australian Ambassador to the United States, and retired Fifth Air Force Commander, General Ralph E. Eberhart, USAF (Ret.) plan to place a wreath at the Bakers Creek Memorial to commemorate the 72nd Anniversary of the crash.

I applaud the military service members at JBM-HH and the members of the Bakers Creek Memorial Association for their continued efforts to help bring closure to the casualty families and a public remembrance of the forty American servicemen who perished at Bakers Creek in Australia during World War II.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE DEDICATION OF CURRY COLLEGE'S SHELLEY I. HOON KEITH AND JOHN W. KEITH ALUMNI HOUSE

#### HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2015*

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the dedication of the Shelley I. Hoon Keith and John W. Keith Alumni House at Curry College.

Curry College has, since its founding in 1879, been a beacon of higher education in Milton and Plymouth, Massachusetts. Curry College is known for pursuing a dynamic and diverse environment for its students. The College has focused its efforts to help students not just achieve successful careers but to be active and informed citizens. To that end, Curry College President Kenneth K. Quigley, Jr. is recognizing two of Curry College's most profound benefactors, Shelley Hoon Keith and John Keith, by dedicating the Alumni House in their names.

John, a longtime member of Curry College's Board of Directors, spends his time and generosity on philanthropic efforts such as the Anti-Defamation League, St. Mary's Center for Women and Children and B'nai B'rith among others. John's deepest commitment to non-profit interests is Curry College. He has been a driving force for the College's success over the last 15 years through his leadership on the board.

Shelley is a sought after not-for-profit advisor and leader in multiple charitable ventures. She too spends much of her energy working with many of the same organizations as John and has been honored with recognitions such as Bill Brett's Boston: Inspirational Women.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in thanking Shelley I. Hoon Keith and John W. Keith for all their efforts at Curry College and congratulating them on having the Alumni House dedicated to them.

#### SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, June 16, 2015 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.



## MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JUNE 17

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Environment and Public Works

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's final rule to regulate disposal of coal combustion residuals from electric utilities.

SD-406

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine governing through goal setting, focusing on enhancing the economic and national security of America.

SD-342

10 a.m.

Committee on the Budget

To hold hearings to examine CBO's analysis of the Federal government's deepening fiscal challenges.

SD-608

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, Insurance, and Data Security

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

SR-253

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine reauthorizing the Higher Education Act, focusing on evaluating accreditation's role in ensuring quality.

SD-430

Joint Economic Committee

To hold hearings to examine the economic exposure of Federal credit programs.

SH-216

2 p.m.

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Gayle Smith, of Ohio, to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

SD-419

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Carol Fortine Ochoa, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, General Services Administration.

SD-342

2:15 p.m.

Committee on Indian Affairs

To hold an oversight hearing to examine accessing capital in Indian Country.

SD-638

JUNE 18

9 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management

To hold hearings to examine the EPA's management of the renewable fuel standard program.

SD-342

10 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Business meeting to markup an original bill entitled, "Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2016", and an original bill entitled "Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016".

SD-106

Committee on Finance

To hold hearings to examine challenges to the future of highway funding.

SD-215

2 p.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

Subcommittee on Water and Power

To hold hearings to examine S. 593, to require the Secretary of the Interior to submit to Congress a report on the efforts of the Bureau of Reclamation to manage its infrastructure assets, S. 982, to prohibit the conditioning of any permit, lease, or other use agreement on the transfer of any water right to the United States by the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture, and to require the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture to develop water planning instruments consistent with State law, S. 1305, to amend the Colorado River Storage Project Act to authorize the use of the active capacity of the Fontenelle Reservoir, S. 1365, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to use designated funding to pay for construction of authorized rural water projects, S. 1291, to authorize early repayment of obligations to the Bureau of Reclamation within the Northport Irrigation District in the State of Nebraska, S. 1552, to authorize the Dry-Redwater Regional Water Authority System and the Musselshell-Judith Rural Water System in the State of Montana, and S. 1533, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to coordinate Federal and State permitting processes related to the construction of new surface water storage projects on lands under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture and to designate the Bureau

of Reclamation as the lead agency for permit processing.

SD-366

2:30 p.m.

Select Committee on Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters.

SH-219

JUNE 23

2 p.m.

Committee on Environment and Public Works

Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety

To hold hearings to examine the impacts of EPA's proposed carbon regulations on energy costs for American businesses, rural communities and families, including S. 1324, to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to fulfill certain requirements before regulating standards of performance for new, modified, and reconstructed fossil fuel-fired electric utility generating units.

SD-406

JUNE 24

2:15 p.m.

Committee on Indian Affairs

To hold an oversight hearing to examine demanding results to end Native youth suicides.

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10 a.m.

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

To hold hearings to examine highly pathogenic avian influenza, focusing on the impact on the United States poultry sector and protecting United States poultry flocks.

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JULY 9

10 a.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine the back-end of the nuclear fuel cycle and related legislation, including S. 854, to establish a new organization to manage nuclear waste, provide a consensual process for siting nuclear waste facilities, ensure adequate funding for managing nuclear waste.

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